

# Report to the Auburn City Council

Action Item

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Agenda Item No.

City Manager's Approval

To:

Mayor and Council Members

From:

**Auburn Arts Commission** 

Prepared By:

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Date:

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Subject:

Mountain Quarries Railroad Bridge Juried Exhibition

#### The Issue

Shall the Auburn City Council authorize the Arts Commission to collect a \$15 entry fee for the Mountain Quarries Railroad Bridge juried exhibition, which will hang in the City Hall Gallery next spring? The entry fees will be used to award three cash awards for first, second, and third place.

### **Conclusion and Recommendation**

By MOTION, authorize the Arts Commission to collect a \$15 entry fee for the Mountain Quarries Railroad Bridge juried exhibition and to award three cash awards to prizewinners.

## **Background**

The Mountain Quarries Railroad Bridge will be 100 years old next March. As a way to celebrate the bridge's centennial, the Auburn Arts Commission is sponsoring a juried exhibition of art depicting the bridge. Paintings, drawings, pastels, photography, mixed and other media will be considered for the show. The artwork entered into the show will be reviewed by a jury of local artists, which will select the work to hang in the show as well as select first, second and third place prizewinners. The cash awards will not exceed \$75, \$50, and \$25 respectively. The work will hang in the City Hall Gallery from March 19th until June 6th next year. If there are any left over funds available, some money will be used to buy refreshments for the artist's reception, which is scheduled for March 23, 2012.

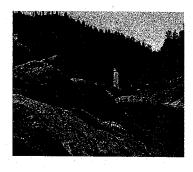
#### **Alternatives Available to Council:**

The alternative would be to not authorize the Arts Commission to collect an entry fee for the exhibition or to award cash prizes.

# Fiscal Impact

The city will not incur any costs associated with the exhibition.

# The Mountain Quarries Railroad Bridge Juried Exhibition



The Auburn Arts Commission is sponsoring a juried competition as part of the Mountain Quarries Railroad Bridge centennial celebration. The bridge (which is also known as the "No Hands Bridge") is located just downstream from the Highway 49 crossing of the Middle Fork of the American River. It was the longest concrete arch railroad bridge in the world when it was completed in 1912.

Artists may submit two-dimensional artwork that features the bridge, including paintings, drawings, pastels, digital/photography, and mixed media.

To enter: Hand-deliver artwork to the Rose Room in Auburn City Hall located at 1225 Lincoln Way, Auburn, CA 95603 on Saturday, March 17<sup>th</sup>, from 10:00AM to 2:00PM.

Unaccepted artwork: Artists will be notified by telephone and must arrange for artwork to be picked up on Sunday, March 18<sup>th</sup>, from 10:00AM to 2:00PM.

Accepted artwork will hang on display in the City Hall Gallery until Wednesday, June 6, 2012.

Opening Reception: Friday March 23, 2012 at 5:00PM to 7:00PM.

Entry fee: \$15.00 for two entries.

Note: All artwork must be framed and properly wired for hanging. Please label all art with artist's name, address, phone number and email address, title of work, media and price on the back. All sales are to be directly between the artist and buyer. The City Hall Gallery will not charge a commission.

For more information contact Aloha at 916-660-0201 or Judi at <u>jlardnermail-exhibition@yahoo.com</u> or visit the event page at www.facebook.com (*insert actual web address for Facebook event page*)

For more information on the bridge and how to get there, visit www.everytrail.com/guide/mountain-quarries-railroad-bridge/map.